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Mr. Jim Garrison
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State of Louisiana
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Dear Mr. Garrison:

Attached is correspondence relating to retouching I did on a photograph of Kerry Thornley as requested by Harold Weisburg under your letterhead.

My letter to Harold Weisburg of May 8th explains the subject matter at hand and my subsequent meeting with David Lifton. Mr. Lifton contacted Kerry Thornley's attorney and he called me Saturday afternoon, May 11th. Mr. Levine urged me to make Harold Weisburg's letter of March 12th available to him to use in Kerry's defense.

I asked Mr. Levine's assurance that this letter would only be used in a courtroom and not as pre-trial publicity. And I also told him that I felt the job I had done could not be construed as photographic retouching. I felt that the only way to settle this matter would be to send Mr. Levine a copy of Mr. Weisburg's letter and the retouched photograph.

It is not my intention to embarass either your office or Harold Weisburg by co-operating with Mr. Levine.

Sincerely,

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